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## MORGAN ON SHORT LIST FOR MARSHALL-WYTHE DEAN

### NLC Professor, 4 Others Considered for W&M Law Post

by Ed Johnson

A reporter at the (Williamsburg) *Virginia Gazette* has informed *The Advocate* that the National Law Center's Prof. Thomas Morgan has been named to a list of finalists for the position of Dean of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at The College of William and Mary. Morgan's nomination was confirmed by Prof. Linda Malone, chairperson of the search committee at Marshall-Wythe.

According to *Gazette* reporter Bill Tolbert, Morgan is one of five finalists for the chair vacated by Prof. Timothy Sullivan, who became President of the College of William and Mary this past fall. Sullivan replaced Prof. Paul Verkuil as President. Verkuil left William and Mary to become the President of the American Automobile Association (AAA) in Orlando, Florida. While Dean of the law school at Tulane University,

Verkuil, along with Prof. Jeffrey Harrison of the University of Florida, was a coauthor with Morgan of *Cases and Materials on Economic Regulation of Business* (2d. ed. 1985).

The other finalists for the position are Prof. Peter Shane of the University of Iowa; Prof. Gerald Torres of the University of Minnesota; Prof. Linda Greene of the University of Wisconsin at Madison; and Prof. Donald Langevoort of Vanderbilt University.

Morgan, Oppenheim Professor of Antitrust and Trade Regulation Law at the NLC since 1989, has prior experience as a law school dean. He held that position at Emory University from 1980 to 1985. After stepping down from that post, Morgan remained on the Emory law faculty until he came to the NLC in 1989. Before accepting the Dean's chair at Emory, he had been an associate

professor of law at the University of Illinois from 1970 to 1974 and a full professor at that school from 1974 to 1980. Morgan also taught at Cornell University as a visiting professor in 1974. Before entering academia, he was an attorney in the Office of General Counsel of the U.S. Air Force from 1967 to 1970.

In addition to *Cases and Materials on Economic Regulation of Business*, Morgan is coauthor, with the University of Illinois' Ronald Rotunda, of *Problems and Materials on Professional Responsibility* (4th. ed. 1987) and an annual supplement, *Selected Standards on Professional Responsibility*. Morgan has also authored a Gilbert's Law Outline on legal ethics.

The finalists were chosen from a pool of 140 applicants, none of whom were from Marshall-Wythe. The eleven-member search committee will be conducting personal



Prof. Thomas Morgan has been named as a finalist for the Dean's chair at the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. (File photo)

interviews with the finalists in Williamsburg from now until the end of February. At that time they will meet with the rest of the Marshall-Wythe faculty to discuss the results of the interview process. The search committee will then make its recommendation of at least three, but as many as five, of the finalists to the President of the College. The President will then make his decision as to which candidate will be offered the Dean's chair, subject to the approval of the College's Board of Visitors.

Professor Morgan was unavailable for comment at press time.

## NLC NOT IMMUNE TO INTOLERANCE

by Jill Westmoreland

When David Pierce returned to school after Winter Break, he found the word "FAG" written on his locker. Mr. Pierce is the President of the Gay and Lesbian Law Association and had a sticker depicting a pink triangle, which is associated with gay rights, on his locker.

Activity involving gay rights has increased here at the National Law Center, as well as anti-gay incidents. Last semester, students announced the proposal of a new journal titled *Sexual Orientation and the Law*. Following this announcement, Mr. Pierce, who is one of the organizers of the new journal, received notes in his folder which threatened him with violence. Mr. Pierce suggests that anti-gay incidents are "fairly traceable to the environment at the NLC, in light of the fact that the Administration not only allows but invites the military to interview on

campus." The Defense Department bans homosexuals from serving in the military.

Sexual orientation was also an issue at an SBA-sponsored brown bag meeting where students discussed the purpose of the Minority Students Brochure. The brochure, which is sent to some students with application materials, lists organizations that address minority students' concerns, including the Black Law Students Association, the Asian Pacific American Law Students Association, and Movimiento Legal Latino. The brochure does not include the Law Association for Women or the Gay and Lesbian Law Association. Concerned students met to discuss whether "minority" includes women or homosexual law students.

One member of GALLA, who was white, asked why some students wanted the brochure to be underin-

clusive and not include GALLA in the minority brochure. An African American student, who was heterosexual, suggested that "you are equating these kinds of discrimination [racism and homophobia] when they are not the same." The discussion evolved into charges of "your discrimination is not like my discrimination" as a reason for excluding certain student groups from the brochure. There has yet been no decision about the brochure and which groups will be included.

Many students have expressed an appreciation that this discussion took place, and few students wish to curtail the expression of opposing positions. Even when the "discussion" is an anonymous comment on a locker, free expression seems important, according to Mr. Pierce who does not advocate speech codes restricting "hate -speech" like the kind written on his locker.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Dissatisfied With NLC Administration

To the Editor:

Because an appropriate forum in which to publicly air my dissatisfaction with my experience at the NLC has not presented itself in the year and a half that I have been here, I have decided to express my discontent through *The Advocate*.

First, it is important to note that we students will most likely become alumni. Alumni can be a significant source of not only money but prestige for the school. An active alumni network can help current students or other alumni advance their careers, or simply find support. A feeling of dissatisfaction with the school experience, however, may curtail the willingness of the alumni to pursue and participate in such a network. I have become increasingly dissatisfied with and shocked by the apparent lack of consideration that the Administration gives to students. I say apparent because I am willing to believe that there are factors of which I am unaware.

Throughout my first year and a half, I, like everyone else, was confronted by the "Furniture Problem." Whoever bought the chairs that are in the seminar rooms in Stockton, clearly never tried to sit in them for any length of time. After every class of legal research and writing, my spine was an S curve and my chiropractor was a step closer to a Bahamas vacation.

The lounge furniture problem now seems to have been solved, a year later, by the investment in, what, say thirty, patio chairs. A quick run to K-Mart seems to have been the extent of the investment; so why did it take a year?

To continue the furniture saga, there is the problem with the library chairs that, miraculously, were replaced, only to leave the discarded chairs to sit for at least the fall semester, and possibly part of the summer, in the library. How attractive. We waited until the middle of exams to finally have them carried out. How convenient. The library itself could be the subject of an entire tome. While I have found the staff to be extremely helpful, the holdings on certain topics seem meager, when the books that should be on the shelf are actually there. Perhaps the Administration should consider paying some students to help the library ascertain what books we actually have, so that we all may be spared the frustrating experience of searching the stacks for books stolen years ago. The Administration also seemed to find it appropriate to paint the library during exams. That in itself shows a shocking insensitivity to students, and hopefully has been the subject of other letters to the Editor.

Moving on to the computer room, I thought the SBA had made it clear

last year that we needed more printers. What a surprise to find that this year we are expected to survive with only one functioning printer through moot court competitions, closed and open memos, the fall interviewing season and exams. The anxiety and inconvenience caused by the inadequate computer facilities is clearly not appreciated by the Administration. I tried last year to use the computer room in the Academic Center. Besides the inconvenience of being separated from the law library and access to other law students, I had to wait for computers there as well. This is not a satisfactory alternative.

I discovered this cavalier attitude towards students almost immediately upon my acceptance of the offer of admission. I did not receive official notice of the starting date until early July. This shows an absolute lack of appreciation for the complexity of students' lives and the impact that undertaking law school has on those lives.

I was also concerned about health insurance. No help was given me by the NLC, the attitude seemed to be laissez-faire. I find this unacceptable. Health insurance is an issue most of us must face and the development of a short information sheet with telephone numbers would have been most helpful indeed. I now get my insurance from the

ABA. I wonder if other students are even aware of this possibility.

First year students this year had an even warmer greeting when they had to wait weeks to get their file folders. Student groups could not communicate with them and they could not communicate easily with others. The reason given for this was that some students may have enrolled but not attended and we certainly would not have wanted to waste time making up folders for these people. The Administration also thoughtfully cleaned out file folders over the summer, ignoring the possibility that students were here in summer session or doing research. Valuable documents and time were lost thanks to this effort.

I appreciate the current SBA's efforts on behalf of the students. The SBA column at least puts students' concerns on the record. However, I do suspect that the Administration is not in the least bit concerned about taking vigorous and timely measures to correct any of the problems that unnecessarily complicate students' lives. It is exactly this suspicion, uncontradicted by any Administration action, that makes me dissatisfied while a student and potentially apathetic as an alum.

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## LAW SCHOOL NEWS

### SBA Update

Welcome Back everyone, we hope you had a restful and fun vacation. This semester is crammed with activities:

#### Medical School and Law School Happy Hour:

Many law students have requested an event to be held with the other doctors on this campus. On Friday, January 22, from 5-9 p.m., the Medical and Law schools are planning a free food and beer event at George's located on the fifth floor of the Marvin Center. Directly across from George's is the GW bowling alley where we might be able to bowl for free. There will be no bar review this week so we hope you stop by George's on Friday for happy hour. Bring your I.D.

#### SBA Elections:

Every first Wednesday of February, this year February 3, SBA elections take place. The student

body will elect two GWUSA Senators, four second year representatives, four third year representatives, four evening division representatives, vice president, and president. On January 21st, at 4:15 in S-304, SBA will hold a candidates meeting at which time person wishing to run for any voting office must attend in person or by proxy to have his/her name placed on an official ballot for the February 3rd election. The candidates meeting is for the purpose of informing and explaining to the candidates the rules and regulations which relate to election as set out by the SBA Constitution and By-laws. No student may conduct written campaigning before the close of the candidates meeting. Current SBA members will be available at the meeting to answer any questions on responsibilities as an SBA officer. The positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Budget Director, Director of Community Affairs, American Bar Association/Law Student Division Representative,

Vice President for Minority Affairs (MAC Chair) and Director of Academic Affairs are all appointed and confirmed by the SBA. Students may inquire about these appointed positions as well on Thursday. The SBA also has a telephone list of the current appointed position holders and will make this list available in the SBA office.

#### Barrister's Ball:

The posters are up and everyone knows the Barristers' Ball will be held at the Meridian House, 1630 Crescent Place (off 16th Street, just north of Dupont Circle) from 8 until midnight on Saturday, February 6th. Tickets are 25\$ each. We can only sell 300 tickets. Buy your ticket today! Tickets will sell out! There is an open bar, hot and cold food, a DJ all night and its black tie optional. The SBA is selling tickets from 11-2 and 5-7 in the lounge, every school day until February 2nd. There is no requirement for a date, last year many people went in groups and everyone had a raucous time.

#### Booksale:

The booksale will continue through this week. Persons who have sold books may pick up their checks by the close of the fourth week of classes. Notice of the days and times for retrieving checks will be posted on bulletin boards. Students who fail to reclaim their unsold books at the end of the sale will lose their ownership rights.

#### Computers:

Computers are now available for student group use in the student group offices on the fourth floor. (At long last!) Word Perfect 5.1 can be used on all of the computers. We urge students however, to store their materials on their own disks and not the hard drive. The machines are old, and disk space is limited. Printers will be installed this week. In the mean time, students using the computers working on 5 1/4" disks, who need to print their materials may print in the SBA office.

In addition, two typewriters have been purchased and are available for use in 401 Burns and the Computer Center.

#### Race Relations Round Tables:

The SBA will be sponsoring a series of discussions centering around race relations. Several students had enlisted our help in creating a forum for small group conversations. We encourage all interested students to participate. The discussions will take place in small classrooms, once a week. Each group will be limited in size to roughly ten to fifteen students to help facilitate discourse. Stay tuned for further details.

#### Grade Reform?

We are extremely disappointed to learn that the university's new and oh so costly computer system cannot convert our numerical grades to a letter grading system. Therefore, as all students should now know via Dean Schwartz's memorandum dated January 4th, it is improbable that the grade reform will be implemented until next year. We appreciate the enormous time and effort members of the NLC administration and faculty have spent to achieve grade reform. The SBA will continue to stress the importance of this conversion to The GW University and push for its speedy implementation.

#### In closing --

We trust that you are enjoying the use of our new chairs. At least these will not snare your clothing.

Until next time...

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## LAW SCHOOL NEWS

## Space Law Moot Court Offers Free Trip to Graz, Austria

by Milton L. Smith  
Professorial Lecturer in Law

Last year two teams from the National Law Center argued before three judges of the International Court of Justice during the finals of the International Institute of Space Law (IISL) Moot Court Competition, in Washington, D.C. In 1993, the finals will be held in Graz, Austria, and the Association of U.S. Members of the IISL will provide transportation to Graz for the top U.S. team.

The 1992 competition was an experimental, pilot program, opened only to law schools in the Washington, D.C. area. During the preliminary round, two teams from the NLC prevailed over teams from Georgetown and American. The final round was held on September 2, 1992. The judges were The Honorable Manfred Lachs (President of the IISL), The Honorable Gilbert Guillaume, and The Honorable Stephen Schwebel, all of the

International Court of Justice. In a competition that the NLC could not lose, the Applicant team of Stanimir Alexandrov and Tod Cohen prevailed over the respondent team of Steven Hawk and Peter Borys. The 1992 competition was given high marks by the members of the IISL and a decision was made to

continue a Space Law Moot Court and to expand the competition.

In 1993, the top U.S. team will face the top European team on October 21, 1993, in Graz, Austria, during the annual meeting of the IISL. The rules have changed for this international competition. In the U.S., the competition is open to all law schools; each school may field one team. Since this is the first year of the expanded competition, only four to six schools are expected to compete. The NLC will host the U.S. competition on March 17, 1993. The Association of U.S. Members of the IISL is the sponsor for this competition and will provide transportation to Austria and arrange housing for the top U.S. team. The problem involves mining on the moon.

The NLC must select its team by January 31. The competition is open to all law students enrolled during the 1992/93 academic year, including LL.M. students. If you are interested in learning more about this competition, please attend a meeting on Monday, January 25, at 8:00 p.m. The room will be announced later. NLC adjunct faculty member Milton "Skip" Smith, President of the Association of U.S. Members of the IISL, will attend this meeting and answer questions.

## Client Counseling Competition Coming Up

On February 27, the NLC will host the regional ABA-Law Student Division Client Counseling Competition. The competition requires teams of two students to interview and then offer advice to "clients" based on problems created by the competition organizers. The topic for this year is employment discrimination. We can enter one team in the regional competition.

We will hold an in-house competition to choose our regional team during the week of February 8. Teams will be given an opportunity to interview a "client" for approximately 30 minutes. The interviews will be videotaped and the tapes will be reviewed by a faculty panel.

The team that wins the regional competition will advance to the national finals, to be held in Durham, North Carolina early in March. The winner of the national

competition will advance to the international finals, to be held in Calgary, Alberta, Canada the first weekend in April.

Last year, the GW team won the regional competition and placed fourth at the national level.

We also need students to act as clients for the regional competition. This could be a unique opportunity to gain some perspective on how people who have to deal with lawyers feel about the process. Clients will be given confidential information and instructions about how to conduct themselves during the interview.

If you are interested in participating in the competition, as either a lawyer or client, please see Nancy Schultz in B512. The deadline for entering the in-house competition is Friday, January 22. "Clients" can drop by anytime before Friday, February 19.

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# COMMENTARY

## Rationalizing Racism

by Rick Hernandez

At the core of modern race relations is the maddening belief expressed by people of all colors that one's color or ethnicity defines a person on a fundamental level, a belief which is the classic definition of racism. The problem is that only those on the minority side of racial issues may espouse racist beliefs with impunity, and that broad generalizations about the majority are tolerated and even encouraged.

Some minority extremists go further, and claim that they cannot be racists, that racism may only take place when there is power on the part of a majority to enforce its views. Operating under that assertion, all sorts of race-based accusations and proposals may be made with political impunity, and various benefits for their particular ethnic groups may be secured, usually from the federal government.

### PRAVDA

Unfortunately, such intellectual constructs are merely shams put in place to justify not living up to a standard to which others must adhere. Race-baiting was an effective tool for the majority; and now it is an equally effective tool for minorities. The sad truth is that those who profess to be immune from racism are seeking only to rationalize their actions and to deny responsibility for the contributions they are making toward the breakdown of the fabric of our national community.

If this trend of racial division persists, the most serious racial danger of all lies in our path, the danger of segregating ourselves voluntarily instead of by force of government, the danger of returning

to the days of "separate but equal." If the proposals of those who would divide by race are taken to their logical conclusions, each American can expect to be assigned rights, benefits, perhaps even a place to live strictly on the basis of membership in an ethnic group instead of on the basis of individual merit. Who you are will not be nearly as important as what you are.

Racial set-asides are an example of this sort of division of spoils. To understand what they truly do to people is to realize how condescending they truly are. To set aside benefits or opportunities for a minority is to say that members of this minority cannot succeed without help, that only a certain amount of each group will be allowed to succeed, and that the majority and non-favored minorities are superior. While these schemes are often characterized as "fairness" or as a way of righting past wrongs, it ultimately cheapens the achievements of the beneficiaries. An individual who would have succeeded without government intervention will be assumed to have succeeded because of that intervention, while one who did not succeed will blame that lack of success on the fact that his ethnic group was not favored by the government. Success is assigned rather than earned.

Education in languages other than English is another racially related issue which ultimately injures those who are intended beneficiaries. Like it or not, English is the language of our nation, and to educate immigrants to our nation in a language other than English is to segregate them permanently, assigning them to a permanent underclass of those functionally illiterate in English. The cure is far worse than the disease.

Bit by bit, and with the consent of many ethnic leaders, members of minority groups are being stripped of their individuality and finding that it has been replaced by a modern stereotype of what a good minority should be. Perhaps the new stereotypes are considered more palatable than the old: a presumption there is a predisposition for stealing hubcaps and laziness as opposed to a presumption there is a predisposition for voting for a certain party and supporting certain political issues. This presumption is still a stereotype, which is at its core an assault on individuality. At the core, there is the belief that ethnicity is the defining characteristic of an individual. At the core, there is racism.

It's just that it's the good kind.

## Transitions

by Brad Gordon

I will join this week in the celebration of America's continuing experiment with democracy notwithstanding my disappointment with the turn our democracy has taken with the election as president of the failed governor of a small southern state. But my patriotic heart still beats with pride to be lucky enough to have been born in America. And no doubt a tear or two will come into my eye as I watch the peaceful transfer of power on Wednesday and think about the majesty of our Republic, where a Billy Blythe can come from a broken family in middle America to become President William Jefferson Clinton.

### FOR THE RECORD

I remember well the 1988 Inauguration, with which I was much less concerned. My eyes became teary as I watched the inaugural parade, and saw Alaska's delegation, made up in part by indigenous Arctic peoples, and reflected on the wonder that anyone who wanted to be could be an American. Needless to say, I was also choked up as the Cold Warrior mounted the steps to his copter, held Nancy close, and gave his famous B-movie Ron Reagan smile and wave. Then my allegiance switched to the new president and his kinder and gentler America.

So I admit it: I am the sentimental sort when it comes to my country. And along with the rest of the country, I am relieved that the uneasy and sometimes tense interregnum is finally over. But this week I feel differently about the change, because beyond the new president's questionable foreign policy, beyond his tax-and-spend economic plans, beyond his penchant for bigger government, I have a more serious concern which I share with most Americans, but not the Little Rock cadre. My concern will send me out to the Mall this Friday to march with scores of thousands of others whose hearts are heavy this week because of the new administration's strident pro-abortion stand. I will march and raise my voice and wave my placard for the 1.6 million preborn American children whose feet are dismembered and whose voices are silenced and whose arms are broken every year.

I was not so outspoken when Reagan and then Bush used the presidency as a bully pulpit to ful-

minate against the uncontroversial evil of murdering unborn children. I had no need to be concerned about appointments to the federal bench, since I knew that these presidents who believed in the sanctity of life would appoint life-tenured judges who recognized the same self-evident truth. I still grieved over the nearly 4,000 preborn babies killed each day in this country, but I realized that there were some protections provided, and I hoped for more Louisiana/Utah-style laws which would be validated by the courts.

Now I feel that I have little reason to hope, with the largely pro-abortion Democrats in control of the Congress and the White House. I am resigned to the passage of the so-called "Freedom of Choice Act," so-called because abortion proponents want to hide the ball by calling the murder of preborn children a "choice," even though in reality the person who should have the choice is helpless to make it when the poisonous saline solution brings a quick death or when the glorified vacuum cleaner tears apart its little limbs. I can only pray that the Supreme Court will realize the fallacy of a test of abortion laws which rests on determination of "undue burden" on the mother, and focus instead on the undue burden placed on the preborn child and overturn the egregious errors the Court made in the 1973 *Roe v. Wade* decision.

I understand that this issue discredits my otherwise sterling credentials in the area of women's rights in the eyes of radical feminists (along with my opposition to special rights for lesbians). But now is not the time for me, or the 16% of students who responded to last semester's *Advocate* poll and indicated that they believed in the sanctity of life, to be silent. There is no room for compromise when 99 unborn children are killed every day in Maryland alone. Marching on Friday, dropping your student membership in the pro-abortion American Bar Association, volunteering at National Right to Life, an adoption agency, or a low-income child-care center, or just praying—all will signal your seriousness about this life-threatening issue.

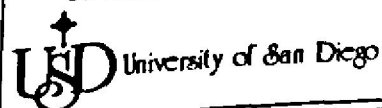
I do not plan to stand idly by as this group of wayward Southern Baptists comes to Washington with its pro-abortion agenda. Happy as I am about the peaceful transfer of power in our democracy, I cannot ignore the cries of the millions killed who have been denied the opportunity to experience the joy of being an American.

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## Foaming at the Mouth - One More Time...

by Ed Johnson

It's been a while since I've written a sports column for this paper and, as usual, lots of things have happened in the sports world during that time. So once again it's time for another one of those catchall columns to get everyone back up to speed - including me. Just to keep everyone on their toes I'm going to include some pop quiz questions. Answers will follow.

I'm not yet sure what to make of the NFL's new collective bargaining agreement. The salary cap and free agency schemes seem sensible, and football players will now be on the same bargaining level as their counterparts in the other major sports. On the other hand, it's possible that a handful of superstars could bounce from team to team each season, driving up salaries in the process. The wisdom of the "Rooney Rule," which will limit the number of free agents that winning franchises can sign, is questionable. While a blow for parity (which the AFC already has - they're all mediocre), the Rule will penalize clubs with smart and successful front offices.

**POP QUIZ: 1.** Milan Panic is (a) the ousted Yugoslav premier (b) a one-day sale at an Italian couturier (c) a franchise in the now-defunct World League of American Football.

After writing in my last column that I thought quarterbacks should stop hook sliding and take their licks like the rest of the players, I was rebuked by several readers. They pointed me to cover stories in *Sport* (December 1992) and *Sports Illustrated* (December 7, 1992) which focused on the escalation of injuries in the NFL and the role excessively violent play has had in that rise. One noted factor was the prevalent use of helmets as weapons in spearing opponents. Point taken.

Speaking of *SI*, wasn't their bowl coverage pathetic? They covered only the Sugar Bowl and lumped the rest of the bowls into a stupid Rick Reilly article on how he spent 13 hours in a recliner in front of the tube. Another example of how the magazine fails to justify its \$2.95 cover price. Then again, it may be another side effect of the bowl coalition; since only one bowl game will determine the national champion, only that game will get coverage.

Whatever happened to those old sporting events that used to populate *ABC's Wide World of Sports*? You know the ones I mean - barrel jumping on ice; figure-eight demolition derby from Islip, Long Island; cliff diving from Acapulco, the Harlem Globetrotters versus the Washington Generals? Is *American*

*Gladiators* and its offspring all we get now? I know that ESPN is still doing its part by giving us pro wrestling and monster truck rallies in the afternoons.

Rumor around school has it that an NLC intramural football team made it to the finals but was beaten by a med school team. Any truth to this?

**POP QUIZ: 2.** Jim Arnold is (a) the Kansas City Chiefs' punter (b) an old-time country-and-western singer (c) Roseanne Barr's husband and cottage industry.

Teams that dedicated their seasons to Jerome Brown were 1-1 in the Louisiana Superdome this season. Usually the deceased in sports are remembered with a black armband or their initials on the sleeve, or by a small decal on the helmet (such as Miami used). However, the Eagles' huge embroidered shoulder patch struck me as being in bad taste, as did the team's carrying Brown's locker and personal effects to New Orleans for inspiration. Forgive my momentary lapse into morbidity, but why don't the Eagles just exhume his body, stuff him and mount him on the sidelines like El Cid?

**POP QUIZ: 3.** The results of the postseason college bowls verified that which conference dominates college football? (a) SEC (b) SEC

(c) SEC.

On a more serious note, the sports world lost another broadcasting legend recently with the passing of Johnny Most, the longtime voice of the Boston Celtics. Most was probably best known outside New England for his "Havlicek stole the ball!" call back in the Celtics' 1960's dynasty days. Though a shameless homer to beat all homers, he nonetheless knew the game and gained a devoted audience. He will be missed by many. (See related article, this section.)

**POP QUIZ: 4.** According to his Minnesota Timberwolves teammates, Christian Laettner most closely resembles what foodstuff? (a) hot dog (b) fruit cup (c) pork product.

A show of hands for everyone who split a seam laughing at Mike Ditka's press conference after his firing. How touching to see this maniac - who abused players, fans, the media, and phone callers - turned into a blubbing kielbasa. Couldn't happen to a nicer guy. Prediction: Color commentator a la Buddy Ryan, an assault charge stemming from a traffic accident, and extensive therapy sessions. Guess we won't be seeing George Wendt on *Saturday Night Live* anymore.

Well, that's about it for now. Thanks for bearing with me while I work out the kinks and I promise a regular column next time.

Answers to pop quiz: 1 (a); 2 (a); 3 all are correct; 4 all are correct.

## College and Pro Hoops in Review

by Joshua Kranz

As per usual, there are maybe a half dozen serious contenders for the national championship and, true to recent form, only one from the Big East. Seton Hall is a legitimate force, and P.J. Carlesimo is a coach who can take his team all the way.

In fact, that has basically become a prerequisite for success in the NCAA Tournament: A big time coach to pull out the big W. Which brings us to the notable exception of Michigan coach Steve Fisher. I am so very happy that he was able to step in and win it all like he did in 1989, because the guy will never win a second title.

Why, you ask? Well, if Chris Webber and Jalen Rose somehow don't make it in the NBA, it appears they are preparing for a back-up career in filibustering. The trash talking is non-stop, and it is holding the team back. I don't think Michigan will find its way back to the Final Four, and I don't think Rose and Webber will stick around for another year when they can go to the NBA and get paid to talk. (Webber is still my favorite college player, by the way.) Rose got

schooled by Bobby Hurley - an NBA All-Star in three years - last month.

You know that Kentucky will be sticking around in March. Indiana has got that six-year itch - they won it all in 1981 and 1987, and if Damon Bailey keeps giving solid efforts the Hoosiers could pull it off. Georgia Tech proved itself against Duke. They have got three big bodies who can all score, rebound and carry a young but immensely talented backcourt a long way. North Carolina always hovers around, but is Eric Montross for real? (Yes.) Kansas proved itself early when it beat Indiana, and it's got the veteran experience. If Rex Walters doesn't find the basket in March, however, the Jayhawks will find themselves home early again.

And then there's Duke, the best damned team in the country. I just loves to hates 'em, but it doesn't really do any good. This team is not as good as last year, for sure, but that still leaves them more than a little leeway to squeak back into the Final Four. My Final Four: Kentucky, Indiana, Duke and Seton

Hall. Wild card: Georgia Tech. National champion: Indiana.

You won't see earlier predictions anywhere!!

**NBA:** Rolando Blackman. Doc Rivers. Tony Campbell. Herb Williams. George Burns. Which guy looks the most vital in the fourth quarter? The Knicks should spike their sideline punch with One-a-Day.

(By the way, I am not from New

York, nor am I a Knick fan. I just start my columns with them because New York teams always provide the best one-liners.)

If the Knicks don't wake up, drink their prune juice and start beating the Denver Nuggets, they will be looking up to the New Jersey Nets. Chuck Daly is coaching, Kenny Anderson is styling, and Derrick Coleman is keeping his mouth shut. Sounds like a winning combination to me. Dear Boston

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## Recent Movies in Review

### Todd's Back - and Has Plenty to Say

by Todd Waldmann

*Body of Evidence*, starring Madonna, Joe Mantegna and Willem Dafoe. The movie is about a woman's trial for the murdering her lover. The prosecutor's case - that Madonna is so sexy that she kills - is unbelievable in itself. *Body of Evidence* is a bad imitation of *Basic Instinct*. If you didn't buy *Sex*, this movie will give you more than enough Madonna to satisfy any of your fetishes. You will also get some of the worst acting and dialogue you will ever see and hear. Defoe turned in an unremarkable performance, except for portraying lawyers as sleazes. Overall, if you want a kinky sexy movie, stick with *Basic Instinct*.

*Hoffa*, starring Danny DeVito and Jack Nicholson. A biographical film, the acting and directing were excellent. However it was a

difficult biography for director DeVito to put to the screen. Hoffa's life, though portrayed realistically, was hard to capture. *Hoffa* has its flaws but the acting is worth the price of admission.

*Toys*, starring Robin Williams. Skip it. With all the talent, this is one disappointing film.

*Leap of Faith*, starring Steve Martin and Debra Winger. This movie satirizes evangelists, which Martin portrayed very well. Despite his presence, *Leap of Faith* is more a feel-good movie than a comedy. The ending is hokey, but the trip getting there and the musical score makes this an enjoyable movie. The movie gave insight on how conmen operate in a believable fashion. If you are looking for an uplifting movie, this one wouldn't be bad.

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fans: enjoy it while it lasts. Dear Washington fans: it's going to last; good luck in the lottery.

Chicago is doing FINE, which of course isn't fine when you are the two-time defending champions. Rodney McCray is working out about as well as Lisa Bonet did on *A Different World*. But who else is for real in the Central? Detroit's too old, Charlotte's too young, and Cleveland is too annoying. Larry Johnson and Alonzo Mourning were meant to be together.

Personally, I think Dallas has a real good shot at beating the 1973 Philadelphia 76ers' 9-73, the worst record in NBA history. That's probably the most compelling thing about the Midwest Division, except that John Lucas deserves all the credit in the world for fighting substance abuse both for himself and others, and turning around the San Antonio Spurs. Poor Tark! He hasn't been the same since they stopped soaking his towels in Dewar's. Utah still doesn't have what it takes to go all the way.

The Pacific Division is class all the way. Even Sacramento is the best of the worst. What did I tell you about the Wizard? Maybe we should skip that. Better yet, what did I tell you about 1993 MVP Charles Barkley? The only teams that can take out Phoenix are Seattle and Portland (and Chicago). Don't bet on it, but people better start noticing the Supersonics before they come out of nowhere and into your living room in June.

My predictions stay the same, except that we will see an all-Pacific Final in the West.

And Ernie's Diner takes the

crown.

Let WHO in?!!?

With all due respect to Mr. Johnson, I'm here to say that one need not foam at the mouth to write about sports. In fact, it might even detract from one's credibility!

It's time to review recent developments in the national pastime. Note that I didn't capitalize the "n" in national out of archaic respect for baseball - the grand ol' game, mom and apple pie, fireworks - and Wayne Newton!

Get real. Basketball is THE sport these days, from New York to L.A. and all points in between (except Nebraska). How many people walk around with Cecil Fielder jerseys? Air Incaviglia? I don't think so.

So let's give the people what they want:

**COLLEGE:** Let me tell you about the best 72 hours I've had since the *Truth or Dare* video came out. (It's just a joke!!) Georgia Tech's big victory Sunday put Duke in its place and knocked it out of the #1 position. All was right with the world until Kentucky went ahead and did a silly thing like losing to Vanderbilt three days later. So Duke should reclaim its rightful throne come Monday - that is, unless Virginia can pull off the upset against the Blue Devils.

That would allow the Cavaliers to remain the only undefeated team remaining; yet they are only ranked #20 this week! Would they scoot up 19 notches? One has to believe that the question is purely hypothetical. Duke stands as much a chance of losing two in a row as Hulk Hogan did in his heyday. (Do wrestlers have heydays?)



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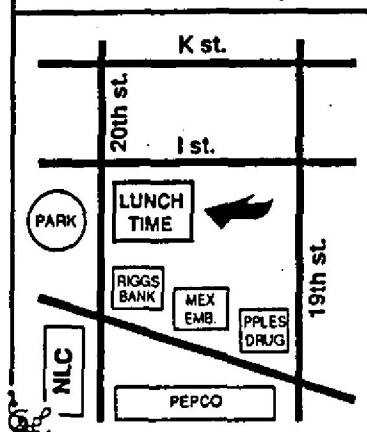
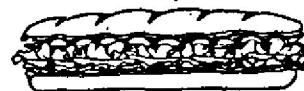
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